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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated

January 18, 2008.

In the Action, restriction is required between:

(I) Claims 1-13, 16, 17, 19, 20 and 27-36¹, identified in the Action as being directed to layered

¹ Claims 27 to 36 are included in both Group (I) and Group (V). Applicants believe that claims 27 to 36 are intended by the Office to be included only in Group (V).

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articles;

- (II) Claims 14, 15, 18, 37 and 38², identified in the Action as being directed to methods of making the articles of Group I;
- (III) Claims 21-25, identified in the Action as being directed to a base material not claimed as usable with the related articles;
- (IV) Claim 26, identified in the Action as being directed to the method of making of the unrelated article of Group III;
- (V) Claims 27-36, identified in the Action as being directed to an electromagnetic-shielding molded object; and
- (VI) Claims 37 and 38, identified in the Action as being directed to a method of making an electromagnetic-shielding molded object of Group V.

Applicants elect the subject matter of group (I), claims 1-13, 16, 17, 19 and 20, for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse with the understanding that the applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 121 to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter

² Claims 37 and 38 are included in both Group (II) and Group (VI). Applicants believe that claims 37 and 38 are intended by the Office to be included only in Group (VI).

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are retained.

The foregoing is believed to be a complete and proper response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2008. A favorable action on the merits of the elected subject matter is believed to be in order and is respectfully solicited.

In the event any fees are required, please also charge our Deposit Account No. 111833.

Respectfully submitted,

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